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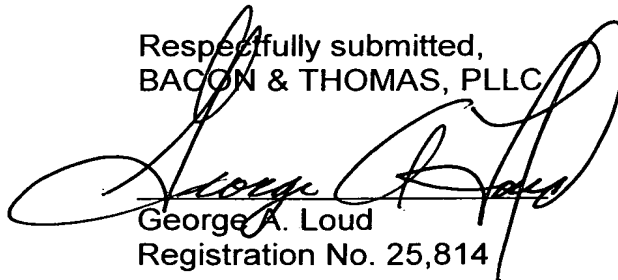
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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner consider and cite of record the three US patents on the attached, which were cited in a European Office Action dated September 23, 2008, in connection with 04734946, believed to be counterpart of the captioned application. A copy of the European Office Action is submitted herewith. JP-A-11-047183 and JP-A-09-276318, also cited in the EPO search report, were cited in the ISR and previously submitted in an Information Disclosure Statement on January 6, 2006.

On information and belief, each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication received from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to today's (November 20, 2008) filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

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